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SPECIAL GA --

AT URGING CERTAIN COUNTRIES WHOSE ECONOMIES MOST SERIOUSLY AFFECTED BY CURRENT CRISIS, SYB CALLED MEETING APRIL 23 OF SELECTED REPS FROM INDUSTRIALIZED, OPEC AND MOST SERIOUSLY AFFECTED COUNTRIES, AS HOC COMITE CHAIRMAN HOVEYDA (IRAN) AND ALGERIAN REP RAHAL. THERE WAS GENERAL AGREEMENT DECLARATION OF PRINCIPLES COULD BE ACHIEVED BY CONSENSUS, BUT THERE WAS SERIOUS DOUBT ACTION PROGRAM COULD BE ADOPTED. HOVEYDA STATED GROUP OF 77 SEEKING TO FIND CONSENSUS ON ACTION PROGRAM BUT IF THAT PROVED IMPOSSIBLE PROGRAM WOULD BE PUT TO VOTE. HE ALSO SAID G-77 DECIDED ANY EMERGENCY FUND SHOULD NOT BE PART OF SEPARATE RES BUT ONLY INCLUDED AS PART OF ENTIRE ACTION PROGRAM. RAHAL AGREED. SYG INTERJECTED THAT SOME LDC'S WORRIED THAT HELP FROM EXISTING FUNDS NOT AVAILABLE TO ALL AND THEY WERE CONCERNED THAT LINKAGE WITH ACTION PROGRAM COULD ADVERSELY AFFECT EFFORT TO ESTABLISH SUCH FUND. MOST SPEAKERS EXPRESSED VIEW SOME KIND OF EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE FOR MOST SERIOUSLY AFFECTED COUNTRIES NECESSARY. ESSENTIALLY SYG STRUCTURED MEETING IN FAVOR OF EMERGENCY FUND, AND THEME CLEARLY EMERGED THAT IF CONSIDERATION OF ACTION PROGRAM WERE TO ENDANGER EMERGENCY AID PROGRAM FORMER WOULD HAVE TO BE SACRIFICED. SYG MADE SPECIAL STRONG APPEAL FOR CENTRALIZING FUND IN UN. (CONFIDENTIAL -- OURTEL 1470)

FRENCH AND GERMAN PROPOSALS --

FRG DEL GAVE USUN PROPOSED RES ESTABLISHING GROUP OF "WISE MEN" TO STUDY PROPOSALS MADE AT SPECIAL GA. FRENCH PASSED TO USUN, WITH REQUEST FOR COMMENTS, DRAFT RES PROPOSING ESTABLISHMENT OF LIMITED MEMBERSHIP INTERSESSIONAL GA COMITE, WHICH WOULD CONTINUE SPECIAL SESSION "DIALOGUE BETWEEN PRODUCERS AND CONSUMERS" AND REPORT THROUGH ECOSOC TO 29TH GA. FRENCH EXPECT COMPLETE COLLAPSE OF AD HOC COMITE'S EFFORTS ON ACTION PROGRAM AND HOPE THEIR PROPOSED COMITE COULD AT LEAST SAVE UN'S FACE. THEY ARE AWAITING REACTIONS OF OTHER EEC MEMBERS AND US BEFORE DEFINITELY DECIDING TO INTRODUCE IT. GERMAN PROPOSAL, THEY COMMENTED, WOULD COMPLEMENT, CONFIDENTIAL

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NOT CONTRADICT, INTERSESSIONAL COMITE PROPOSAL.
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JAPANESE BILATERAL --

JAPANESE ON SEVERAL OCCASIONS EXPRESSED TO USUN THEIR PARTICULAR ANXIETY RE ATTEMPTS BY LDC'S TO PUSH THROUGH AT SPECIAL GA UNACCEPTABLE FORMULA ON INDEXATION

OF PRICES. WHEN OGISO (JAPAN) REQUESTED US VIEWS ON THIS AND OTHER ASPECTS OF G-77 DRAFT DECLARATION OF PRINCIPLES, AMB FERGUSON EXPLAINED USG POSITION TO SATISFACTION OF JAPANESE WHOSE POSITIONS WERE IN COMPLETE HARMONY. FERGUSON ALSO EXPLAINED CHANCES OF NEGOTIATING ACCEPTABLE PLAN OF ACTION AT THIS TIME SEEMED REMOTE, AND OGISO SHARED HIS HOPE SPECIAL SESSION WOULD DEAL IN SOME MEANINGFUL WAY WITH MECHANISM TO ASSIST COUNTRIES MOST SEVERELY AFFECTED BY CURRENT ECONOMIC SITUATION. (CONFIDENTIAL -- OURTEL 1438)

CREDENTIALS COMITE --

FROM UN LEGAL COUNSEL SUY, MISOFF LEARNED SECRETARIAT ELICITED WILLINGNESS OF URUGUAYAN REP GIAMBRUNO TO SERVE AS CREDENTIALS COMITE CHAIRMAN (AS HE DID AT 28TH GA), AND AT BEGINNING OF MEETING, PRESENTLY SCHEDULED FOR APRIL 25, SYG WILL STATE CREDENTIALS RECEIVED APPEAR TO BE IN ORDER UNDER RULE 27. CC REPORT LIKELY BE TAKEN UP IN PLENARY APRIL 29 (POSSIBLY APRIL 26), AND SUY IS THINKING OF RECOMMENDING TO GA PRES THAT HE SUGGEST ASSEMBLY NOTE REPORT AND PASS ON TO ITS OTHER URGENT BUSINESS. (CONFIDENTIAL -- OURTEL 1465)

SPECIAL GA AD HOC COMITE --

IN FIRST READING OF DRAFT PROGRAM OF ACTION, COMITE APRIL 23 CONCLUDED DISCUSSION OF PART II (INTERNATIONAL MONETARY SYSTEM AND FINANCING OF DEVELOPMENT) AT--IF ANYTHING--SLOWER THAN EARLIER PACE. EC-9 STILL UNABLE EXPRESS COORDINATED VIEWS ON TIEMS, SO PLAYED NEGLIGIBLE ROLE. THEY DID DRAW SOME FIRE IN REQUESTING EXTENSIONS OF DEADLINES FOR SUBMITTING WRITTEN AMENDMENTS, BUT UKDEL SAYS AGREED SET SUBMITTED BEFORE DEADLINE. VARIOUS EC-9 MEMBERS CONTINUE TO ASSERT
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DRAFT ACTION PROGRAM LARGELY UNACCEPTABLE. STATEMENTS OF US POSITION, HOWEVER MEASURED, HAVE BEGUN TO STIR ANTAGONISM ON PART OF THOSE LDC'S COMMITTED TO SEEING "NEW ECONOMIC ORDER" EMERGE THIS GA. US REJECTION OF SUBSTANTIVE MOVEMENT AWAY FROM GA RES 3084 HAS BEEN SUPPORTED BY FRENCH, GERMANS AND JAPANESE, AND OPPOSED BY LDC'S ON BASIS "CHANGED CIRCUMSTANCES REQUIRED NEW ANSWERS." SWEDES INTRODUCED AMENDMENT RELATING TO EXPANDED LDC ROLE IN INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS WHICH WON IMMEDIATE SUPPORT OF FINLAND, NORWAY AND SEVERAL LDC'S, INCLUDING INDIA, PAKISTAN, TANZANIA, GHANA, IRAQ AND GREECE, BUT EEC'S NOTICEABLY SILENT. (LIMITED OFFICIAL USE -- OURTELS 1469, 1471)

AD HOC COMITE WORKING GROUP SUBGROUP --

SUBGROUP MEETING APRIL 23 DEALT ONLY WITH REVISING OP
PARA 2 OF REVISED TEXT OF DRAFT RES CONCERNING MOST SERIOUSLY
AFFECTED (MSA), AS PREPARED BY PAKISTANI VICE CHAIRMAN
AKRAM. USDEL CONTINUED TO ARGUE PREFERENCE FOR EMERGENCY
RELIEF, BUT THAT HAS NOT BEEN ACCEPTED BY OTHERS WHO PREFER
PROGRAM OVER EIGHT-YEAR PERIOD AS PROPOSED BY ALGERIA.
NO SUPPORT WAS GIVEN US SUGGESTION THAT LOWERING OF PRICES
ACROSS BOARD WOULD BE ANOTHER WAY OF DEALING WITH CURRENT
SITUATION. (LIMITED OFFICIAL USE -- OURTELS 1472, 1473)

UN INTERPRETERS OUT ON "SICK LEAVE" --

UN INTERPRETERS CALLED 24-HOUR STRIKE APRIL 23, BUT SKELETON
STAFF WAS PROVIDED FOR SPECIAL GA AD HOC COMITE AND SERVICE
WAS AVAILABLE FOR SC (WHICH WAS POSTPONED FOR OTHER REASONS).
USUN UNDERSTANDS THAT AT BEGINNING OF SPECIAL SESSION TEMPORARY
INTERPRETER STAFF WAS OFFERED SUBSTANTIAL INCREASE OVER
PREVIOUS REMUNERATION, AND PERMANENT INTERPRETER STAFF,
WHICH RECEIVED NO INCREASE, COMPLAINED OF UNFAIR SALARY
AND WORKLOAD TREATMENT. NEGOTIATIONS CONTINUED MOST
OF APRIL 23, BUT SECRETARIAT SOURCES UNWILLING TO DISCLOSE
TERMS OF OFFER, IF ANY. MOST EXPECT NORMAL MEETING SCHEDULE
WILL BE RESUMED APRIL 24. (LIMITED OFFICIAL USE --
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PUERTO RICO IN COMITE OF 24 --

DANISH DEP REP ELIASSEN ASSURED AMB SCHAUFLE DANISH POSITION
ON PUERTO RICO HAS NOT CHANGED SINCE IT WAS MEMBER OF COMITE
OF 24. DANES BELIEVE PUERTO RICO ACHIEVED SUFFICIENT DEGREE
OF SELF-GOVT TO BE REMOVED FROM UN'S LIST
OF NSGT'S IN 1953 AND COMITE OF 24, THEREFORE, SHOULD NOT
INVOLVE SELF IN ISSUE. HE NOTED DENMARK, ALONG WITH
AUSTRALIA AND LA'S, INCLUDING VENEZUELA, SUCCESSFULLY
OPPOSED REQUEST FROM PR INDEPENDENTISTA LEADERS FROM COMITE
HEARING AND THIS FIRM OPPOSITION STRENGTHENED CHAIRMAN
SALIM'S (TANZANIA) INCLINATION TO DEFER ANY FORMAL
COMITE ACTION ON REQUEST. (CONFIDENTIAL -- OURTEL 1456)

OUTER SPACE SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL SUBCOMITE --

CHIEF POINT OF ISSUE IN SUBCOMITE DURING DISCUSSION OF REMOTE
SENSING WORKING GROUP REPORT WAS EXTENT TO WHICH SUBCOMITE
WAS TO COMPENSATE FOR LACK OF RECOMMENDATIONS AND CONCLUSIONS
IN REPORT. BRAZIL, WITH SUPPORT ARGENTINA AND MEXICO, AT
FIRST RESISTED ANY EFFORTS TO DEVELOP RECOMMENDATIONS
ON ORGANIZATIONAL MATTERS IN ABSENCE LEGAL FRAMEWORK,

BUT LATER MODIFIED ITS HARD POSITION AND JOINED DRAFTING GROUP TO PREPARE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR SECRETARIAT STUDIES. UN EXPERT'S REPORT STIMULATED MUCH DISCUSSION ON FUTURE OF EXPERT'S ROLE. HIS INCREASED BUDGET PROPOSALS HAD USUAL LDC SUPPORT BUT RAN INTO STRONG RESISTANCE FROM USSR WELL AS US. ON PROPOSED SPACE APPLICATIONS CONFERENCE, MOST DELS FOLLOWED AUSTRALIAN LEAD IN ASKING FOR FURTHER DETAILS. SOME DELS SUPPORTED INDIAN SUGGESTION THAT QUESTIONNAIRE BE SENT ALL DEVELOPING COUNTRIES TO ASCERTAIN THEIR SPACE APPLICATIONS NEEDS, BUT SOVIET DELOFF SAID PRIVATELY HE REGARDED IT AS USELESS EXTRA WORK. (LIMITED OFFICIAL USE -- OURTEL 1466)

UNIDO --

MISOFF LEARNED ABDEL-RAHMAN (UNIDO) AND PATEL (UNDP) HAD CONCILIATORY MEETING AT WHICH IT WAS DECIDED: PRESENT SYSTEM AND PROCEDURES OF SIS WILL REMAIN IN EFFECT FOR IMMEDIATE FUTURE, UNDP WILL NOT TAKE ANY OFFICIAL ACTIONS IN INDUSTRIAL CONFIDENTIAL

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FIELD WITHOUT PRIOR DISCUSSIONS WITH UNIDO, AND ABDEL-RAHMAN WILL EXAMINE SOME OF PATEL
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